

General Assembly

## **Amendment**

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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5312** 

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## "AN ACT CONCERNING ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF CURRENCY AS PAYMENT IN LOCAL BUSINESSES."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2021) (a) For purposes of this section, (1) "at retail" includes any retail transaction conducted in person, excluding any transaction: (A) By telephone, mail or the Internet, (B) for parking at a parking lot or a parking garage, (C) at a wholesale club that sells consumer goods and services through a membership model, (D) at a retail store selling consumer goods exclusively through a membership model that requires payment by means of an affiliated mobile device application, (E) for the rental of consumer goods, services or accommodations for which posting of collateral or security is typically required, and (F) for consumer goods or services provided exclusively to employees and individuals other than customers who are authorized to be on the employer's premises, and (2) "cash" means legal tender.

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(b) A person selling or offering for sale goods or services at retail in this state shall not: (1) Refuse to accept cash as a form of payment for such goods or services, (2) post signs stating that cash payment is not accepted, or (3) charge a customer paying cash a higher price than such customer would pay using any other form of payment.

(c) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

New section

October 1, 2021

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Section 1